

Minutes

State Board of Education Meeting

Date

Wednesday, January 14, 2009

Time

9:00 a.m. Educator Certification Cases Meeting

1:00 p.m. State Board Regular Meeting

Location

Rutledge Conference Center

1429 Senate Street

Columbia, South Carolina

Kristin Maguire, Chair

Tim Moore, Chair-Elect

Jim Rex, PhD

State Superintendent of Education

Secretary and Administrative Officer to the Board

I. EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION CASES

II. WELCOME/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Chair Simpson led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Chair Maguire called the State Board of Education (SBE) meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The following SBE members were in attendance: Kristin Maguire, Chair, Governor's Appointee; Tim Moore, Chair-Elect, Second Judicial Circuit; Patsy Pye, First Judicial Circuit; Bonnie Disney, Third Judicial Circuit; Hampton Hubbard, Fourth Judicial Circuit; Rose Sheheen, Fifth Judicial Circuit; Al Simpson, Sixth Judicial Circuit; Libby Swad, Seventh Judicial Circuit; Charles McKinney, Eighth Judicial Circuit; Cindy Clark, Ninth Judicial Circuit; Marilyn Norton, Tenth Judicial Circuit; Amelia Herlong, Eleventh Judicial Circuit; Fred "Trip" DuBard III, Twelfth Judicial Circuit; Phillip Bowers, Thirteenth Judicial Circuit; Ben Mitchell, Fourteenth Judicial Circuit; and Britt Blackwell, O.D., Sixteenth Judicial Circuit.

Absent with apologies was Gerrita Postlewait, Fifteenth Judicial Circuit.

South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) staff in attendance were Jim Rex, PhD, State Superintendent of Education; Carol Collins, Minutes Taker; Janice Poda, PhD, Deputy Superintendent for Administration; Valerie Harrison, EdD, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Standards and Learning; Teri Siskind, PhD, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Accountability; Betsy Carpentier, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Innovation and Support; Mark Bounds, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Educator Quality and Leadership; Shelly B. Kelly, Parliamentarian, General Counsel, Office of General Counsel; and Barbara Drayton, Deputy General Counsel, Office of General Counsel.

III. PRESENTATION OF THE GAVEL/OATH OF OFFICE

The Oath of Office was administered by outgoing Chair Al Simpson to incoming Kristin Maguire and Chair-elect Tim Moore.

"I do solemnly swear that I will uphold the duties and the laws of the State of South Carolina based on statutes governing operations of the South Carolina State Board of Education."

Former Board Chair Simpson then presented the gavel to Board Chair Maguire.

Former Chair Simpson also presented Board Chair Maguire with a key to the Governor's School for Arts and Humanities, which was given to her to be passed on to the next Chair.

IV. AWARD TO RETIRING BOARD CHAIR

State Superintendent of Education Rex and Board Chair Maguire recognized Al Simpson, Sixth Judicial Circuit. On behalf of the Board and the citizens of South Carolina, Board Chair Maguire thanked Mr. Simpson for his leadership style as Chair. Former Chair Simpson was given a plaque and gavel for his service on the Board.

Former Chair Simpson thanked the members of the Board for working with him to educate new leaders in the state. He thanked the SCDE staff, Dr. Janice Poda, Shelly Kelly, and Carol Collins for working with him and stated that he looks forward to working with the new Board members.

V. AWARD(S) TO RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS

State Superintendent of Education Rex and Board Chair Maguire recognized outgoing State Board member Rick Adkins and presented him with a citation for his service on the Board. Mr. Adkins stated that it was an honor to serve on the Board and to work with Dr. Rex.

VI. RECOGNITION OF NEW BOARD MEMBER(S)

Board Chair Maguire introduced the new Board members, Rose Sheheen, Fifth Judicial Circuit, and Marilyn Norton, Tenth Judicial Circuit.

VI. APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 10, 2008

Charles McKinney moved to approve the State Board of Education minutes for December 10, 2008. Al Simpson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

VIII. APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA FOR JANUARY 14, 2009

Rose Sheheen moved to approve the State Board of Education agenda for January 14, 2009. Ben Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion carried.

IX. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA

Board Chair Maguire recognized all visitors present. There was no news media present.

Board Chair Maguire turned the meeting over to Dr. Rex.

X. STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT AND RECOGNITIONS

Dr. Rex stated that the Milken National Educator Awards program is the nation's largest teacher recognition program. Since its inception, more than 2,300 educators from 48 states have been recognized with more than \$60 million in cash awards. Dr. Rex introduced South Carolina's newest Milken

educators, stating they would travel to Los Angeles to attend the Milken Family Foundation National Education Conference in the spring.

Dr. Rex introduced and presented a plaque to Bonnie Wilson and Heather Bass as the recipients of the Milken National Educator Awards. Ben Mitchell is the State Board member for Ms. Wilson and Rose Sheheen is the State Board member for Ms. Bass.

XI. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present for public comment but there was a guest, Ms. Sheila Gallagher from the South Carolina Education Association (SCEA). Ms. Gallagher addressed the Board.

XII. STATE BOARD COMMITTEE ITEMS

EP. EDUCATION PROFESSIONS

Committee Report—Patsy Pye, Chair, presented an overview of Education Professions Committee. She stated that the Committee had six items for approval.

FOR APPROVAL

- 01. Professional Review Committee (PRC) Recommendation to Defer Termination of Certification Programs in English at Converse College Pending Result of a New Program Report**—Allison Jacques, PhD, Director, Office of Educator Preparation, Support, and Assessment, Division of Educator Quality and Leadership

On behalf of the Education Professions Committee, Committee Chair Pye moved to approve the recommendation of the Professional Review Committee (PRC) to defer termination of certification programs in English at Converse College pending result of a new program report. The motion comes out of committee; therefore, it does not require a second. The motion carried.

- 02. Professional Review Committee (PRC) Recommendation to Allow Candidates in Educator Preparation Programs at Anderson University and Limestone College Two Years to Complete Certification Requirements**—Allison Jacques, PhD, Director, Office of Educator Preparation, Support, and Assessment, Division of Educator Quality and Leadership

On behalf of the Education Professions Committee, Committee Chair Pye moved to approve the recommendation of the Professional Review Committee (PRC) to allow candidates in Educator Preparation Programs in Physical Education at Anderson University and Limestone College two years to complete certification requirements. The motion comes out of committee; therefore, it does not require a second. The motion carried.

- 03. Professional Review Committee (PRC) Recommendation to Appoint Four Members to the PRC**—Allison Jacques, PhD, Director, Office of Educator Preparation, Support, and Assessment, Division of Educator Quality and Leadership

On behalf of the Education Professions Committee, Committee Chair Pye moved to approve the recommendation of the Professional Review Committee (PRC) to appoint four members to the PRC. The motion comes out of committee; therefore, it does not require a second. The motion carried.

- 04. Professional Review Committee (PRC) Recommendation to Defer NCATE and State Accreditation Visits One Year Beginning Spring 2009**—Allison Jacques, PhD, Director, Office of Educator Preparation, Support, and Assessment, Division of Educator Quality and Leadership

On behalf of the Education Professions Committee, Committee Chair Pye moved to approve the recommendation of the Professional Review Committee (PRC) to defer NCATE and State Accreditation visits one year beginning spring 2009. The motion comes out of committee; therefore, it does not require a second. The motion carried.

- 05. Professional Review Committee (PRC) Recommendations for Accreditation Decisions for the University of South Carolina Beaufort and Benedict College**—Allison Jacques, PhD, Director, Office of Educator Preparation, Support, and Assessment, Division of Educator Quality and Leadership

On behalf of the Education Professions Committee, Committee Chair Pye moved to approve the recommendation of the Professional Review Committee (PRC) of accreditation decisions for the University of South Carolina Beaufort and Benedict College. The motion comes out of committee; therefore, it does not require a second. The motion carried.

- 06. Professional Review Committee (PRC) Recommendations for Two New Educator Preparation Programs in South Carolina**—Allison Jacques, PhD, Director, Office of Educator Preparation, Support, and Assessment, Division of Educator Quality and Leadership

On behalf of the Education Professions Committee, Committee Chair Pye moved to approve the recommendation of the Professional Review Committee (PRC) recommendations for two new educator preparation programs in South Carolina: BS in Chemistry Secondary Education at the initial level at Newberry College and MAT in Early Childhood Education at the initial level at Winthrop University. The motion comes out of committee; therefore, it does not require a second. The motion carried.

SL&A. STANDARDS, LEARNING, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Committee Report—Cindy Clark, Chair, gave a report on the Standards, Learning, and Accountability Committee. She stated there was one item for approval. She stated three items were presented to the Committee for information: updates on the Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (PASS), Education Economic Development Act (EEDA), and Report Cards.

FOR APPROVAL

- 01. Recommendations from the Instructional Materials Advisory Committee for the 2009 Adoption Cycle**—Kriss Stewart, Textbook Coordinator, Office of Academic Standards, Division of Standards and Learning

On behalf of the Standards, Learning, and Accountability Committee, Committee Chair Clark moved to approve the recommendations from the Instructional Materials Advisory Committee for the 2009 Adoption Cycle. The motion comes out of committee; therefore, it does not require a second. The motion carried.

F&O. FINANCE AND OPERATIONS

Committee Report—Phillip Bowers, Chair

No Committee Meeting Scheduled

I&ES. INNOVATION AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Committee Report—Tim Moore, Chair

No Committee Meeting Scheduled

P&L. POLICY AND LEGISLATIVE

Committee Report—Kristin Maguire, Chair, stated that there were two information items presented to the Committee. The first item was a proposal for amendments to R 43-300, Accreditation Criteria. She stated that the South Carolina Department of Education was looking at the way schools are accredited. Dr. Nancy Busbee updated the Committee on the amendments. Chair Maguire encouraged the Board members to look at the PowerPoint that would be available.

Dr. Jo Anne Anderson, Executive Director, Education Oversight Committee, addressed the Committee and presented copies of the Accountability Manual regarding the revised criteria for the Palmetto Gold and Silver Awards Program. Dr. Anderson updated the committee on the changes being made to the Accountability Act as amended in 2008.

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| XIII. <u>OTHER BUSINESS</u> |
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Chair Maguire asked for a motion to ratify the agenda for the Educator Certification Cases that were reviewed at the 9:00 a.m. meeting in the Rutledge Conference Center. Tim Moore moved to approve the ratification agenda as presented. Ben Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Update on the Office of e-Learning—Dee Appleby, Director, Office of e-Learning, Division of Standards and Learning, gave a presentation on e-Learning and answered questions from Board members

Chair Maguire asked Kriss Stewart to provide the Board members with a copy of the nomination form for the Instructional Review Panels. February 6, 2009, is the deadline for turning in the nomination forms.

Chair Maguire asked Dr. Jo Anne Anderson, Executive Director, Education Oversight Committee (EOC), to address the Board about a meeting the members were invited to attend.

Dr. Anderson stated that the EOC was looking for a date that representatives from the SBE and EOC could meet. Several dates were being discussed. She stated that on the second Monday in June the EOC will hear a formal presentation of the Stakeholders Study that Clemson University is conducting for the EOC.

Chair Maguire stated that she was very excited about the upcoming year. One of the things being looked at was reinstating the consent agenda. It would save time by not having to approve every item that came out of committee.

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| XIV. ADJOURNMENT |
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There being no further business to come before the SBE, the SBE adjourned at 2:15 p.m.